

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 921

Introduced by Assembly Member Allen

February 18, 2011

An act to add Article 3 (commencing with Section 42248) to Chapter 5 of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 921, as introduced, Allen. Solid waste: compost.

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 requires the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to develop a program to increase the use of compost products in agricultural applications, including identifying federal, state, and local financial assistance and cooperating with appropriate federal and state agencies.

This bill would enact the Agriculture Water Efficiency with Compost Use and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act of 2011, which would require the department, in consultation with the University of California Extension Service, to measure and monitor any increase in agricultural water efficiency resulting from the compost applications made pursuant to the incentives adopted by the State Air Resources Board pursuant to the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Article 3 (commencing with Section 42248) is
2 added to Chapter 5 of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources
3 Code, to read:

4
5 Article 3. Agriculture Water Efficiency with Compost Use and
6 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act of 2011

7
8 42248. This article shall be known, and may be cited as, the
9 Agriculture Water Efficiency with Compost Use and Greenhouse
10 Gas Reduction Act of 2011.

11 42248.1. The department, in consultation with the University
12 of California Extension Service, shall measure and monitor any
13 increase in agricultural water efficiency resulting from the compost
14 applications made pursuant to the incentives adopted by the State
15 Air Resources Board pursuant to the California Global Warming
16 Solutions Act of 2006 (Division 25.5 (commencing with Section
17 38500) the Health and Safety Code).